

New Docket No.: 452468

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 7 remain pending in this application, with claims 1 and 5 being independent. Claim 6 was cancelled in a response filed June 8, 2006. Claim 8 is cancelled herewith, without prejudice, and may be pursued in a divisional application.

The Examiner has determined that the instant application includes claims directed to two inventions, and requires election of one of the following groups:

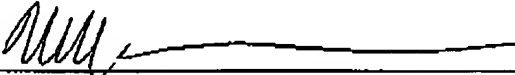
- I. Claims 1-5 and 7, drawn to a device for securing an ink cartridge, classified in class 347, subclass 49.
- II. Claim 8, drawn to a print head cleaning, classified in class 347, subclass 30.

Accordingly, Applicant elects Group I (claims 1-5 and 7). It is believed that this election satisfies the Examiner's requirement and addresses all issues raised in the Office Communication of June 22, 1006. If any issues remain outstanding, or if questions arise regarding this Election and Response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

No fees are believed due; however, if any fee is deemed necessary in connection with this Election and Response, please charge Deposit Account No. 12-0600.

Respectfully submitted,
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